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TAGS: SHUM, SOCI

SUBJECT: 32D UNGA--THIRD COMMITTEE/TORTURE, ITEM 80

REF: A) USUN 4000 B) STATE 257988

1. TOGO DELEGATION ON BEHALF OF AFRICAN GROUP DISTRIBUTED DRAFT RESOLUTION ON STEVEN BIKO NOV 7. AT THAT TIME NIGERIAN DEL IN CONVERSATION WITH MISOFF REQUESTED US COSPONSORSHIP.

2. RESOLUTION WAS TABLED NOVEMBER 8 WITH HUNGARY, NORWAY, JAMAICA, JORDAN, PHILIPPINES, SWEDEN, SYRIA AND TOGO LISTED AS COSPONSORS. ITALIAN REP IN CONVERSATION WITH MISOFF SAID HIS DEL WILL COSPONSOR RESOLUTION WITHOUT CHANGES IN TEXT.

3. LANGUAGE IN PREAMBULAR PARA 5 AND OPERATIVE PARAS 2, 4 AND 6 WHICH REFERS TO MURDER OF BIKO OR MURDER OF DETAINEES HAS BEEN QUESTIONED BY MISSION SINCE MURDER NOT YET ESTABLISHED. DANISH DEL ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT USE OF TERM MURDER BUT HAS NOW DECIDED TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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VOTE IN FAVOR OF RESOLUTION POSSIBLY MAKING STATEMENT ABOUT USE OF TERM MURDER.

4. IN CONVERSATION WITH NIGERIAN DEL HE INDICATED TO MISOFF THAT CHANGING TEXT TO READ "APPARENT MURDER" RATHER THAN "MURDER" MIGHT BE ACCEPTABLE TO AFRICAN GROUP. HE AGAIN STATED THAT AFRICANS WOULD LIKE US

CO-SPONSORSHIP OR RESOLUTION. IF CO-SPONSORSHIP NOT POSSIBLE, THEY WOULD LIKE OUR VOTE IN FAVOR OF RESOLUTION WITHOUT EXPLANATION.

5. IN CIRCUMSTANCES MISSION BELIEVES WE SHOULD NOT CO-SPONSOR RESOLUTION UNLESS JUDGEMENTAL LANGUAGE REGARDING MURDER IS REMOVED. AT SOME TIME U.S. SHOULD SUPPORT THE RESOLUTION BECAUSE OF OUR CONCERN ABOUT STEVEN BIKO'S DEATH BUT GIVE AN EXPLANATION OF OUR VOTE.

6. MISSION HAS DATAFAXED RESOLUTION (DOCUMENT A/C.3/32/L.23) TO IO/HR, HEWITT AND WILL KEEP DEPT POSTED ON FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

7. VOTING ON RESOLUTION SCHEDULED FOR P.M. NOVEMBER 9. LEONARD

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